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REDUCING BEARING VOLTAGE

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
OFFICE ACTION MAILED NOVEMBER 29, 2002**

Dear Examiner:

In response to the Office Action mailed on November 29, 2002, please amend the referenced patent application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claim 1 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows:

2. (Amended) A bearing system, comprising:  
a frame;

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